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A nightlife blog from our city's bartenders.



**If you could throw a snowball at anyone, who would it be?**

**Fernatt:** Gucci Mane ... he's already so iced.

**Matthew Bartosik (@polomex):** Frosty the Snowman. Just to see what would happen.

**Dan Michel:** All those slow-walking tourists on Michigan Avenue—isn't the holiday season over?



**Kate Gosselin's 20-hour hair makeover is ...**

**Fernatt:** ... the Britney Spears breakdown—in reverse.

**Ryan Klefer (@ryanklefer):** ... seemingly short for Kate Gosselin. I'd expect at least 3 days.

**Myong Park:** ... the new gold standard in low self-esteem.



**The Google phone's new feature list should include ...**

**Fernatt:** ... a breathalyzer to tell me when I should stop texting.

**Connie Reyes (@cisforconnie):** ... durability and good reception. It would be a phone unlike any other!

**Tony Potempa:** ... an app that predicts how many d-bags are in the club before you pay \$20 to get in.

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**TODAY'S FORECAST**

Cold, cold, cold!



**SUN.**

**21**

**14**

Sun's out!



**MON.**

**25**

**18**

Cloudy. Maybe snow?



**TUE.**

**29**

**18**

A little warmer



**WED.**

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Bright and cool



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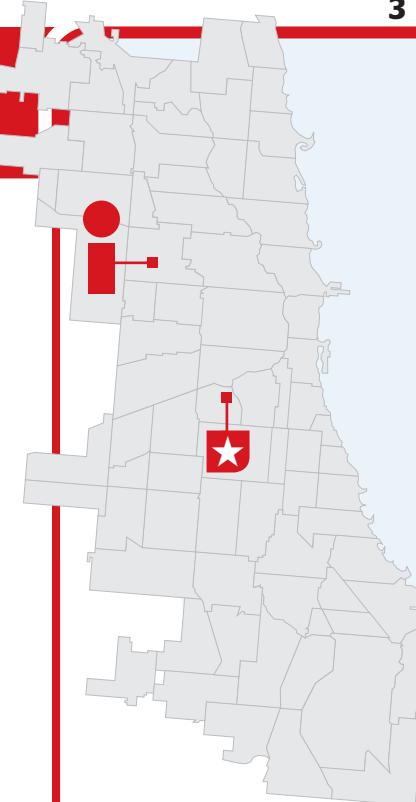
**Lakeview**  
The parking lot next to the Friendly Confines gets an icy makeover courtesy of new Cubs owners the Ricketts family. BYO skates or rent them for \$10. A hot cocoa vendor is on site. 10 a.m.-11 p.m. Saturday; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Sunday 1100 W. Addison St. \$10; \$6 for kids ages 12 and under.

## Millennium Park ice skating

**Millennium Park**  
Warm up with a few spins around the rink. Millennium Park, 55 N. Michigan Ave. 312-742-1168. Free.

## REDEYE/MMX PICK Free Fitness Weeks

**Various locations**  
Visit one of the 66 fitness centers located in Chicago parks and use equipment such as treadmills, cross trainers, stationary bikes, weights and more. For a small fee, you can try kickboxing, Pilates, yoga, aerobics and other classes. Bonus: If you sign up for winter membership (\$30-\$75) you get a free workout bag. Locations include Amundsen Park, Calumet Park, Daley Bicentennial Plaza, Washington Park and more. 312-742-7529. Visit [chicagoparkdistrict.com](http://chicagoparkdistrict.com) for full details.



## THE GAMER

Who's playing at home



### NBA Bulls vs. Minnesota

7 p.m. Saturday,  
United Center



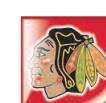
### AHL Wolves vs. Peoria

7 p.m. Saturday,  
Allstate Arena, Rosemont



### Wolves vs. Toronto

3 p.m. Sunday, Allstate  
Arena, Rosemont



### NHL Blackhawks vs. Ducks

6 p.m. Sunday,  
United Center

# Screen play

## HIDDEN AGENDA

**On the agenda:**  
DIY screen printing workshop at Chicago Sustainable Manufacturing Center, 1048 W. 37th St., 773-318-9407; [chicagourbanartsociety.org](http://chicagourbanartsociety.org).

**Check it out if you** ... would like to spruce up your wardrobe with some unique T-shirts, are looking for a more productive way to spend time at home this season than watching TV, want to create lasting art on a budget.

**The deets:** The Chicago Urban Art Society hosts a series of \$75 two-day workshops on consecutive Saturdays (Jan. 9 and 16, Jan. 30 and Feb. 6, Feb. 20 and 27). You'll work from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. learning

how to create stencils to add prints to clothing. The hands-on lessons include all materials, as well as tips on creating designs, how to care for your screens, local places to buy materials and how to use different colors and tools. You can keep all the test prints you want, along with some high-quality paper and frames to show off your work.

**The payoff:** Learning how to turn your ideas into stylin' new clothes.

**sat**

## Awesome '80s Aspen Ski Lodge Party

*Lincoln Park*

Dress in '80s-style fluorescent ski outfits for a bash featuring a costume contest with a \$100 cash prize (1 a.m.), '80s movie screenings and themed drink specials. DJ De La Chapelle spins. 9 p.m. Faith & Whiskey, 1365 W. Fullerton Ave. 773-248-9119. No cover.

## Apres New Year's Lingerie Party

*West Town*

Shop for lacy underthings, heels and more at this ladies-only open house. Watch pole-dance demos and score a certificate for a half-price intro class (\$20) for a future visit. Includes refreshments, raffles and more. 3-8 p.m. Sheila Kelley S Factor Chicago, 1400 W. Hubbard St. 312-492-7596. \$20.

## REDEYE/MMX PICK Handmade Market

*Humboldt Park*

**i** Browse jewelry, clothing, scarves, handbags, journals and greeting cards made by hand every second Saturday of the month. Noon. Empty Bottle, 1035 N. Western Ave. 773-276-3600. No cover.

## Haven Yoga

*Lincoln Park*

Hatha yoga instructor Jessica Server leads a beginner to intermediate level class in the museum's Judy Istock Butterfly Haven. 8:30 a.m. Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, 2430 N. Cannon Drive. 773-755-5100. \$10-\$15; \$60 for five classes.

## River North Gallery Tours

*River North*

A gallery owner or representative leads a tour of four River North art galleries. 11 a.m. Starbucks Coffee, 750 N. Franklin St. 312-649-0064. Free.





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# deja view



## ENDLESS LOVIE

Lovie Smith survived. The Bears head coach will be back after a lackluster season, but a chunk of his staff was let go this week. Here's a look at the facts by the numbers.



**6** Number of assistant coaches who were fired Tuesday.



**17** Number of assistant coaches who have been fired or left during Smith's six-season tenure.

**TWO**  
Number of years left on Smith's contract.

**\$11M**  
Total amount he's owed over those two years.

# Chew on this

Was your toast crispy and your coffee robust at breakfast this morning? Good, because the week's news in cuisine wasn't so hot. Check out these food-unfriendly Associated Press stories that oozed, crawled and screamed onto RedEye's radar.



### It's political

A popular cafeteria for visitors and workers at the Pennsylvania Capitol in Harrisburg reopened Monday, more than two weeks after inspectors discovered mouse droppings and other health hazards. The cafeteria had not been inspected in four years, officials acknowledged. Lesson learned—monthly inspections now are planned for the next six months.

### Spores on a plane

A company that prepares food for major airlines said Monday that it has cleaned up its Denver kitchen, which serves Delta, American, United and other airlines at that city's airport. That announcement was necessitated after inspectors found live and dead roaches and listeria bacteria at LSG Sky Chefs' facility.

### Million dollar gaggy

Federal agents seized more than \$1 million worth of bulk restaurant food products in Nashville that were intended for distribution throughout Tennessee. The Wednesday raid came after officials saw food contaminated with—gross alert!—rodent feces and urine. That type of seizure is so rare, an FDA spokesman said there were only two of a similar nature all of the last fiscal year.



### Hamburger bully

Police in Kansas City, Mo., asked the public for help Wednesday finding a woman who went on a rampage at a McDonald's because she wasn't happy with her hamburger. The McManiac caused thousands of dollars in damage on Dec. 27 when the restaurant refused to give her a refund for an unsatisfactory burger.

## Heat index

RedEye takes the temperature of current events



### Transit lawsuit

Funding bias?



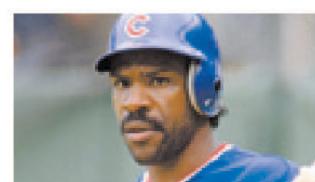
### Google phone

It's here!



### Gaga ticket snafu

Fans furious



### Andre Dawson

Future Hall of Famer



### Burj Khalifa

World's tallest building



### Vince Vaughn weds

Retired swinger

# Better than delivery?

Diners with pie-in-the-sky hopes for a tasty meal could find the perfect pizza in their own freezers

By Erin M. Sarris  
FOR REDEYE

Jihan Palencia loves dining out. She's also cool with having meals delivered. But when the Jefferson Park resident recently made plans for a summer wedding, she needed to compromise on her food budget.

Palencia's solution? Stock up on frozen pizza.

"The 3-for-\$10 frozen pizza from Jewel is not as exciting as delivery or eating at a restaurant, but it works for me," said Palencia, 28, whose freezer stash includes cheap and convenient generic brands produced by stores such as Jewel or Dominick's, as well as more expensive brand names such as Tombstone and Red Baron.

While frozen pizza might not be ready to challenge ramen noodles as the budget meal of choice, it certainly is enjoying a boom in popularity. Sales of frozen pizzas—particularly private brands created by chain grocery stores—have jumped during the past decade as the hungry masses warm up to the pizzas' improved quality and variety, not to mention potentially significant savings over those pies that were once delivered to their homes.

Frozen pizza sales rocketed to \$4.4 billion in America last year from \$3.1 billion in 2000, the Minneapolis Star Tribune reported this week, citing market research by Datamonitor Inc.

That's bad news for national delivery chains. Third-quarter earnings were down in 2009 compared with the 2008 numbers for Domino's (6.5 percent decline), Pizza Hut (12.9) and Papa John's (5.7), according to financial statements from the companies.

Researcher Harry Balzer attributes the shift in pizza consumption to a new generation of restaurant-style frozen pizzas that can hold

their own against those from fast-food delivery pizza chains.

"Now pizza is returning to its roots as something you make inside the house," the consumer marketing expert from research firm NPD Group told RedEye.

Improved technology and new features in frozen pizza have been popular with the public, according to Jim Storner, a sales manager for Nation Pizza Products, a Schaumburg-based distributor of frozen pizzas, along with their components such as dough, sauce and toppings. Storner says higher-quality ingredients, better flavor variety, stuffed crusts, ooey-gooey melted cheese and dough that is cooked for the first time in your oven (instead of coming pre-cooked) have "really changed the way people think about [frozen] pizza."

Or, as Palencia put it: "You almost forget it came from your oven."

Yet for some self-professed pizza purists, frozen pies aren't even up for discussion.

"I doubt I will ever buy frozen pizza. Ever," said Francisco Quinteros, the 30-year-old founder of the Chicago Pizza Club, which has 14 equally enthusiastic members that meet regularly to sample the Windy City's best pies. "There's no way a giant corporation making a product that is stored in the freezer is ever going to be comparable to a decent cooked-to-order pizza."

When Quinteros and his fellow club members challenged themselves last April to review 10 frozen pizzas from the grocery store, every brand got the thumbs down. Make that 14 thumbs down.

"We just think that when you live in Chicago, why would you settle for a pizza with crust that tastes like the cardboard it came on, ketchup-like salty sauce or cheese and meat that is like

## Ice to eat you

It might be, it could be, it is ... Home Run Inn! The Chicago-area pizza company won RedEye's entirely unscientific but decidedly delicious frozen pizza taste test, beating out DiGiorno by mere percentage points. Our method was simple: Pick five frozen pizzas at random, bake them and then scarf them down. Here are the results and a sampling of comments from our pizza posse. PHOTOS BY CHRISTOPHER SMITH/REDEYE

plastic?" said Quinteros, who lives in Humboldt Park. "The only people I know who eat frozen pizzas are eating them at like 4 a.m. when it really doesn't matter at that point."

Well, *someone* is digging in—sales of private-label brands (produced by chains such as Walmart, Jewel, Dominick's and Target) have risen more than 20 percent in the past year.

"You have to hand it to those guys, because one of the greatest innovations in marketing was getting someone to deliver pizza to you," said Balzer, who has studied how Americans eat for more than 30 years.

Though no Chicago-specific sales numbers are available, Balzer said the U.S. frozen pizza market is on the right side of history due to consumers' changing preferences and scaled-back household budgets.

"A lot has changed in this [industry] over the years, but essentially pizza is three things: cheap, tasty and easy," he said. "What more does someone want from their food?"

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### PIZZA'S SUPREME

Pizza is more popular as a meal at home than ever, according to research firm NPD Group. The percentage of meals prepared at home that feature pizza as the main dish has steadily climbed over the decades. Check out this sampling of NPD Group's data.

	1989	1999	2009
<b>3.0%</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	



## Home Run Inn



**Toppings:** Sausage  
**Retail price:** \$8.79

### REDEYE CRITIQUES

» Deliciously seasoned sausage, perfect sauce/cheese proportion and buttery crust.

» Awesome and hits the spot when you're alone, but won't impress company.

» Sauce was very tomato-y. Sausage was really flavorful. Nice, crispy crust.



## Pizza chains fight back

When faced with imitators that are coming closer to the authentic pies at a fraction of the cost, pizza delivery chains have adopted new product lines and marketing techniques to capture a greater share of your hard-earned dough. But not all of the ideas are big winners. RedEye rounds up several strategies from pizza chains to determine which ones are pipin' hot and which ones are half-baked. E.S.



## DiGiorno



**Toppings:** Sausage, pepperoni, red peppers, green peppers, onions, black olives

**Retail price:** \$7.99

### REDEYE CRITIQUES

- » A little too saucy for my liking. Sausage is bland. Nice, robust crust though.
- » How can crust be both fluffy and crisp? Yum!! I am impressed! Could use more cheese, though.
- » A little messy but good. Tastes better than some pizza delivered.



## Tombstone



**Toppings:** Cheese

**Retail price:** \$6.49

### REDEYE CRITIQUES

- » Reminds me of school cafeteria pizza—greasy and covered with cheese. Too thin and not flavorful.
- » Cheesy and greasy—just what you want in a cheese pizza.
- » Crispy crust, sweet sauce, overall good flavor. Could use a little less sauce and more cheese for balance.



## California Pizza Kitchen



**Toppings:** Olive oil, tomatoes and basil

**Retail price:** \$8.19

### REDEYE CRITIQUES

- » Very herby. Light and crispy. Tastes like yum. Almost tastes like a cracker and pizza had a baby together.
- » Tastes like cardboard. Heavily seasoned with oregano, sprinkled with a few pieces of tomato and then wringed of all flavor.
- » I could probably find this flavor in a cracker box.



## Gino's East

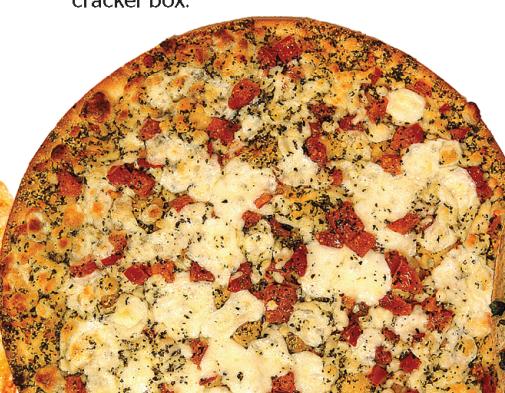


**Toppings:** Pepperoni

**Retail price:** \$6.59

### REDEYE CRITIQUES

- » I ate this cold. It was great that way.
- » Hard crust. Sauce tastes like rusted metal. Pepperoni fairly flavorless.
- » Talk about grease! I had to soak some up with a napkin before eating!



## PIPIN' HOT



### Pizza tracker Web site

Ever wonder at exactly what time your pizza was placed in the oven? What about the first name of the employee who lovingly scattered the mushrooms and sausage on your pie? In June 2008, Domino's Web site ([dominos.com](http://dominos.com)) started dishing up the deets on your online orders in real time. Stalking the delivery driver has never been so much fun.



## Chicken wings

Chicken wings were once a sorely lacking niche in delivery—just ask anyone who tried to get a bucket dropped off before a Sunday game. Pizza Hut, Papa John's and Domino's all got smart in recent years by offering product that could be tasty all on its own or paired with a monster pizza pie.

## Bread bowl pasta

Piping hot pasta drizzled in cream-laden sauce, served in an oversized puffy bread bowl. If this Domino's dish, rolled out nationwide in April 2009, isn't an ideal comfort food for carboholics, we don't know what is.



## HALF-BAKED Pizza Hut's iPhone app

This application for iPhone, introduced in May 2008, requires you to first create an account, tacking on time before you can finally chow down. Also, many of the app's coupons don't save you as much as those on the Web or newspaper, and user reviews indicate that toppings and side dishes are limited. Another bummer: The app is not available for BlackBerry users.

## Oven-baked sandwiches

One of these things is not like the other. While pasta and pizza make a logical pair, these sammies are outranked by the big boys (like Jimmy John's delivery) that already have mastered this craft. In fact, Papa John's founder and chief executive John Schnatter recently said that focusing on sandwiches detracts from the quality of the pizza, according to The Associated Press.

## Take and bake

While take-and-bake pizzas do allow you to have it your way with customized ingredients, they still are rather pricey compared with their store-bought and delivery counterparts, requiring preparation in an oven. Plus, you lose the ability to sit at home in your pajamas during the whole process.

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## WHAT'S HOT THIS WEEKEND

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## SEE IT

### SketchFest

*'Hood: Lakeview*

Opening weekend of the Chicago Sketch Comedy Festival (aka Sketchfest) is upon us. Get your laughing shoes on and make your way to **Theater Building Chicago** (1225 W. Belmont Ave. 773-327-5252), where nearly 50 sketch-comedy groups perform this weekend alone. (The fest lasts through Jan. 17.) Don't miss Chicago's GayCo Productions (above) staging a best-of review of sketches from the past decade at 7 p.m. Saturday. Read our interview with festival founder Brian Posen at [metromix.com](http://metromix.com) for his advice on navigating the fest.

**When:** 1-11 p.m. Saturday and 2:30-7 p.m. Sunday

**Cash:** \$12.50 per show; [chicagosketchfest.com](http://chicagosketchfest.com)



## DRINK IT

### Stout beer

*'Hood: Bucktown/Logan Square border*

On any given day, the beer list at **Quenchers Saloon** (2401 N. Western Ave. 773-276-9730) is, understatedly, extensive. And just when we thought it couldn't get any better, the staff upped its ante with Stout Fest, the month-long January event focused on the roasty dark beers we crave during winter months. The second annual Stout Fest returns through Jan. 31 and features 20 stouts, many of them on tap, from Northwind stout brewed by Two Brothers Brewing in the 'burbs to Hitachino Nest Espresso Stout by Kiuchi Brewery in Japan. In case you need another reason to leave your house right now in a stout-crazed frenzy, get a load of this deal: Buy four beers within a stout "group" and get your fifth stout free.

**When:** 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

**Cash:** Prices vary



## RIDE IT

### The Red Line—pantsless

*'Hood: Edgewater (starting point)*

Two main rules apply to Improv Everywhere's annual **No Pants! Subway Ride**: act casual and don't wear any pants. That's right, no pants. (And no thongs, please—organizers don't want to gross people out). The first-ever pants-less public transit ride started in New York City and has since spread to cities across the globe, including Chicago. This year pantless day is Sunday and is once again open to everyone. Meet at the Granville Red Line "L" stop at noon. Drop those trousers, act natural and watch the uncomfortable stares roll in.

**When:** Noon Sunday

**Cash:** Free

## SIP IT

### Soup deals

*'Hoods: South Loop, Old Town*

It's hard not to discount arbitrary food holidays, like January's Soup Month. But if accepting them means cash savings for food we're already craving, we're on board. Case in point: Through the end of the month, get soup on special at **Tapas Valencia** (1530 S. State St. 312-842-4444) for a mere \$2. This weekend, ask about the Caldo Gallego, white-bean soup made with bacon and Serrano ham. Haven't tried Jerry Kleiner's swank

**33 Club** (1419 N. Wells St. 312-664-1419)? Check out the \$7 soup deal featuring French onion au gratin or Gruyere-roasted tomato, each served with a small grilled cheese sandwich. Feeling inspired to make your own soup? Check out Saturday's cooking class at **Wave** (644 N. Lake Shore Drive. 312-255-4460). The 2:30 p.m. class costs \$60 and includes a multi-course lunch.

**When:** Saturday and Sunday; check [metromix.com](http://metromix.com) for hours

**Cash:** Prices vary



## SHOP IT

### Holiday Hangover Sale

*'Hood: East Village/Ukrainian Village*

The holidays are over, and though you're light on cash, your shopping bug hasn't fled into hibernation just yet. Solution: the Holiday Hangover Sale at fair-trade boutique **Greenheart** (1911 W. Division St. 312-264-1625). Peruse fair-trade clothing, bags, wooly scarves and lots more, much of which is on sale for between 25 percent and 60 percent off. It gets better: Free wine tasting and snacks are available while you shop.

**When:** 11 a.m. Saturday; noon Sunday

**Cash:** Free

# the juice

**Old Town Social**  
455 W. North Ave.  
312-266-2277



**LOVED IT:**  
Individual French-  
press coffee

**HATED IT:** Limited  
brunch cocktail  
options

**BRUNCH TIME:**  
11:30 a.m.-3 p.m.  
Saturday  
and Sunday

**COST:** About  
\$30 per person  
with cocktail, tax  
and tip

**WAIT:** None

## Southern comfort

By Lisa Arnett

We love our fruity crepes and girly brunch cocktails. But sometimes, we just want to eat like a good ol' Southern boy. You know, watch some football. Eat some grits.

Apparently Old Town Social chef Jared Van Camp is feeling our vibe. His brunch lineup reflects his time at culinary school in Charleston, S.C., where he also worked at Southern eatery Magnolia's. There's plenty of down-home goodness to go around, from buttermilk biscuits with sage and sausage gravy (\$8) to shrimp and grits (\$11).

During NFL games, huge flat-screen TVs come out of the woodwork. (Literally: They're lowered from hidden compartments in the ceiling.) The best seats in the house are the five oversized leather booths on a platform behind the main bar, each facing its own TV.



If you haven't tried Van Camp's tender harissa-spiced duck wings on the dinner menu, don't miss the chance to try them at brunch, where they also make an appearance. Harissa spices up the hollandaise, too, on a fried green tomato benedict (\$7) made with crunchy tomatoes atop biscuit halves. We relished every bite, but we'd be cruel to rave about it too much since Van Camp won't be able to get his hands on the tomatoes again until this summer. A new Benedict will replace it this weekend.

Luckily our favorite dish, sausage and waffles (\$12, above), isn't going anywhere. Four hefty hunks of grilled sausage top cornmeal waffles studded with house-made bacon and topped with bourbon butter. Douse it all in Vermont maple syrup and prepare for brunch bliss.

Though we'd love to see more unique cocktails, the classic mimosa (\$10) and bloody mary (\$8) are done solidly. The



Old Town Social  
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bloody mary's skewer of finnichiona, pickled okra and smoked gouda showcases Van Camp's ambitious practice of curing and preserving his own meats and produce in house. It's also good-looking enough to tempt non-bloody mary drinkers (like this one).

Though brunch at the 4-month-old spot just debuted this winter, Van Camp's been thinking about it for some time. Besides that okra, which he

started pickling shortly after the opening, his buckwheat pancakes are topped with apple butter, which he made from scratch last fall with a pile of apples from Marengo, Ill.-based Nichols Farm. We can only wonder what he's doing behind closed kitchen doors right now to surprise us this summer.

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## METROMIX'S TOP WEEKEND SHOWS

## ANVIL

"Anvil! The Story of Anvil" was one of 2009's most entertaining docs. 7 p.m. Sun. \$18-\$20. House of Blues, 329 N. Dearborn St. 312-923-2000.

## LADY GAGA, SEMI PRECIOUS WEAPONS, JASON DERULO

No one will be sitting. 7:30 p.m. Sat.-Sun. \$37.50-\$75. Rosemont Theatre, 5400 N. River Rd., Rosemont. 847-671-5100.

## CRACKER, CAMPER VAN BEETHOVEN

Anyone nostalgic? 9 p.m. Sat. \$15. Cubby Bear, 1059 W. Addison St. 773-327-1662.

## TREATY OF PARIS

Locals release quality new EP "Currents." With Am Taxi, The Insecurities, Last Fast Action, The Victory Gins. 6 p.m. Sat. \$11-\$13. Metro, 3730 N. Clark St. 773-549-0203.



## TICKETBOOTH

Your on-sale concert guide

ON SALE 10 A.M.  
SATURDAY

**Air, AM**, Wednesday, March 24 (\$32, 18+) at Riviera Theatre.

**Chevelle, Sick Puppies, Janus**, Saturday, Feb. 20 (\$26, all ages) at Riviera Theatre.

**Gomez**, Thursday, March 4 (\$27.50, 18+) at Vic Theatre.

**Moe.**, Friday, March 5 with **Cornmeal**, Saturday, March 6 with **Perpetual Groove** (\$27.50-\$31, 18+) at Riviera Theatre.

**Never Shout Never, Hey Monday, The Cab, Every Avenue, The Summer Set**, Saturday, April 10 (\$13-\$15, all ages) at House of Blues.

**Vampire Weekend**, Thursday, March 25; Friday March 26 (\$28.50, all ages) at Riviera Theatre.

ON SALE NOON  
SATURDAY

**Alkaline Trio, Cursive**, Saturday, Feb. 27 (\$25-\$28, 18+); Sunday, Feb. 28 (\$25-\$28, all ages) at Metro.

**Backyard Tire Fire, Devil Makes Three**, Saturday, Feb. 13 (\$12-\$15, 21+) at Double Door.

**Del Barber, Tom Rorem**, Tuesday, Feb. 9 (\$7, 21+) at Double Door.

**Blah Blah Blah, The Rikters, Unearthed, Warren Buckler**, Tuesday, Jan. 26 (\$3-\$5, 21+) at Double Door.

**Hockey**, Friday, March 12 (\$12, 18+) at Schubas.

**Esh, Kinki Notti**, Tuesday, Feb. 2 (\$3-\$5, 21+) at Double Door.

**Kings of Convenience**, Saturday, Feb. 20 (\$30, all ages) at Metro.

**The Tossers**, Wednesday, March 17 (\$17, 18+) at Metro.

**Trampled By Turtles, Devil Makes Three**, Thursday, April 8 (\$15-\$23, 21+; ticket includes new album) at Double Door.

## ON SALE NOW

**Hockey**, Friday, March 12 (\$35, 21+) at Lincoln Hall.

**Miles Kurosky**, Thursday, April 1 (\$12-\$14, 21+) at Schubas.

**Owl City, Lights, Paper Route**, Friday, April 30 (\$20, all ages) at Aragon.

**Pet Lions, Post Honeymoon, White Mystery, The Dirty Diamonds**, Friday, April 30 (\$20, all ages) at Aragon.

**Yes**, Friday, Feb. 19 (\$57.50-\$63, 17+) at House of Blues.



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# ‘SIMPSONS’

By Curt Wagner

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“This world might end in 2012, but this show will not.”

That’s what we see Bart Simpson writing over and over on the school chalkboard during the opening credits of the 450th episode of “The Simpsons.”

After 20 years of crafting the show, creator Matt Groening and everyone involved in the animated phenomenon can say that “The Simpsons” still is going strong.

Fox wraps up its yearlong celebration of the 20th anniversary with “Once Upon a Time in Springfield” and an hourlong documentary from “Super Size Me” creator and “Simpsons” fan Morgan Spurlock.

“I’ve learned all my life lessons from ‘The Simpsons,’ ” one fan tells Spurlock in his fascinating special.

That sentiment pretty much encapsulates the influence of “The Simpsons,” as you’ll hear from not only regular fans around the world but from the show’s producers, cast members and tons of celebrities, such as Sting, Hugh Hefner, Conan O’Brien, John Waters, Trey Parker and Matt Stone from “South Park,” Seth MacFarlane from “Family Guy” and Mike Judge from “King of the Hill.”

But this wouldn’t be a Spurlock special without dissenters. The director lets an angry member of The Catholic League, outraged residents of Rio de Janeiro and a stone-faced worker at a real nuclear-power plant voice their complaints, even though he gives them a good ribbing too.

As for the 450th episode, well, it’s as funny as the 449 that led to it. Anne Hathaway guest voices Princess Penelope, who is forced upon Krusty the Clown by network executives eager to win female viewers.

When Bart complains that girls ruin everything, Homer offers him the typically sage “life lesson” previously mentioned: “You say that now, but when you grow up, you’ll just think it.”

## LOVE IT

### TV

#### Chuck

8 p.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Monday, NBC

To say too much about the first three hours of the new season of this hilarious spy comedy would spoil the fun. But for the fans who fought so hard to keep it alive, I’ll just say that “Chuck” delivers the same marvelous comedy, romance and pop culture references it has in the past. And action? Now that nerd-turned-spy Chuck (Zachary Levi) has been given special spy abilities, he delivers even more kung fu fighting, yet he remains as sweet and bumbling as ever. Everyone should watch this show!

CURT WAGNER, REDEYE

## LIKE IT

### ALBUM

#### Unbroken

Katharine McPhee

Katharine McPhee’s sophomore CD is the aural equivalent of the “American Idol” runner-up’s trying on a series of ill-fitting outfits. Though she’s glammed-up for her videos and CD cover, McPhee mistakenly tries the laid-back style of Colbie Caillat for “Had It All” and attempts an oddly faithful cover of Melanie’s “Brand New Key.” Her voice is good, but it feels misplaced on the pop twist to “How,” which easily could be a country hit for someone else. Only on “Faultline” do her material and voice seem to sync up.



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### VIDEO GAME

#### Bayonetta

Xbox 360, PlayStation 3

Bayonetta is the most flamboyant video-game heroine in a long, long time. Leggy, bespectacled and clad in a skintight black catsuit, she struts across the screen like a model stalking the runway. But the game is a mess, frankly, with about a half-dozen issues that normally would make me shut down a game in exasperation. But it’s so cheeky in its desire to break through the barriers of good taste and common sense that it’s rather endearing.

LOU KESTEN, AP

### ALBUM

#### Animal

Ke\$ha

To slice through the pop-culture clutter these days, it helps to have an angle. Lady Gaga wears coats made of Kermit the Frog and headdresses made of hay. Ke\$ha has her distinctive delivery—as if she’s channeling some in-your-face Valley girl, as if Paris Hilton were trained to rap by the Beastie Boys. Ke\$ha, who co-wrote all of the album’s 14 tracks, is at her best when she takes no prisoners.

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## LOATHE IT

### DVD AND BLU-RAY

#### The Final Destination 3-D

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In the latest unoriginal, exhausted sequel, these movies have been reduced to bland killing machines, though this one features aggressive use of 3-D, with everything from race cars, tires and engines to nails from a nail gun, entrails and blood blasting off the screen into our laps. It’s not frightening in the least, with only a few amusing moments.

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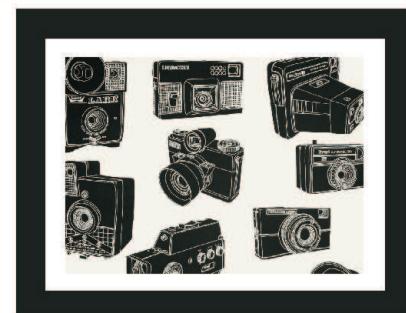
The idea of an "art collection" intimidates people, but anyone can have one. Right out of college, I worked for a gallery where I sold art to a wide range of customers, some who had tens of thousands of dollars to spend and some who had a few hundred dollars in their art budget. I realized that even those lucky few who buy art as an investment generally stick to the first rule of collecting—buy what you love. If you trust your own taste, it's hard to go wrong.

It's also a good idea to set a budget and stay within it. Chicago is known for its many print shops and collectives. These studios create silk screens and letterpress prints in mass quantities, making them less expensive than original artworks but more distinctive and well-crafted than, say, an inkjet poster. The following Chicago print shops sell high-quality, handmade prints that often are signed and numbered by the artists.



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[thebirdmachine.com](http://thebirdmachine.com)

Silk-screen artist Jay Ryan started The Bird Machine print shop in 1999. He's known for designing intricately colored posters for bands ranging from Shellac to Monsters of Folk. At his online shop—there is no walk-up store—you can find handmade silk screens sporting his signature squirrels, bears and dogs for \$20 to \$500.

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**YOUTH  
IN REVOLT**  
(R)



# Cera—like you've seen him before

Gawky Nick Twisp (Michael Cera) has a chance to lose his virginity, but to do that he has to get booted from his mom's house so he can reconnect with his summer fling, Sheeni (Portia Doubleday). Nick's solution: Create alternate persona Francois Dillinger to be a bad boy for him.

**The buzz:** Really, 21-year-old Cera ("Juno," "Superbad") is still playing awkward teens—and a 16-year-old one at that? At least the film, which is based on C.D. Payne's novel and whose release has been delayed several times, lets the actor add some creepiness into his usual lovable dweeb.

**The verdict:** "Youth in Revolt" is pretty hard

to buy into, but it's an enjoyable ride, mostly due to director Miguel Arteta's behind-the-beat rhythm and Cera's combination of crazy eyes and open heart. Nothing about Sheeni's character convinces, and by its end "Youth in Revolt" has flown off the tracks completely. In parts, though, it's a funny, diverting and a-little-too-quirky film about the weird things we do for love.

**Did you know?** After Nick's friend Lefty (Erik Knudsen) betrays his sister, she gets revenge by playing an Ashlee Simpson album over and over again. Think that's also how Jessica gets revenge on Ashlee?

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**Michael Cera (left)  
and Adhir Kalyan  
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**CRAZY HEART** (R)



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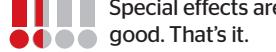
A sloppy, intriguing head trip.

**LEAP YEAR** (PG)



Amy Adams,  
nooooooo!!!

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■ **Daybreakers** (R) 10:35,1:00,3:30,6:00,8:30,11:00  
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■ **Broken Embraces** (R) 1:15,4:10,7:05,10:05  
■ **Young Victoria** (PG) 11:05,1:30,4:15,7:10,9:40  
■ **Fantastic Fox** (PG) 11:30,1:50,4:50,7:15,9:30  
■ **A Serious Man** (R) 11:10,4:20,9:50  
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■ **Der Rosen** (NR) ★ 12:00 P.M.  
■ **Daybreakers** (R) ★ 9:45,12:20,2:50,5:30,8:00,10:45  
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■ **Invictus** (PG-13) 1:45,5:15,7:10,9:40  
■ **Brothers** (R) 2:00,4:50,6:15,8:15,11:00  
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■ **Squeakquel** (PG) 11:00,12:10,1:20,2:30,3:40,4:45,6:00,7:00,8:00,9:20,10:25  
■ **AMC Select Up in the Air** (R) 11:15,2:10,4:40,7:15,9:45  
■ **Avatar 3D** (PG-13) 11:40,1:30,3:00,5:00,6:30,8:30,9:50  
■ **Princess-Frog** (G) 11:30,12:45,1:55,3:10,4:10,5:30,7:50,10:05  
■ **Armored** (PG-13) 11:05,1:5,3:30,5:45,8:00,10:20  
■ **Ninja Assassin** (R) 11:35,2:05,4:30,7:05,9:30  
■ **Twilight: Moon** (PG-13) 11:00,1:40,4:40,7:45,10:10  
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■ **Princess-Frog** (G) 2:05,4:10,6:20,8:30  
■ **Armored** (PG-13) 2:00,4:05,6:50,8:10  
■ **Where the Wild** (PG) 2:10,4:20,6:30,8:40  
■ **Twilight: Moon** (PG-13) 2:05,5:40,8:20

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■ **Imaginarium** (PG-13) 2:00,4:30,7:00,9:30  
■ **Killing Kasz** (NR) 1:45,5:00,7:45  
■ **Where the Wild** (PG) 11:30,12:00  
■ **The Goonies** (PG) 12:00,1:45,2:00  
■ **Bob le Flambeur** (PG) 11:30 A.M.

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■ **3 Idiots** (NR) 11:20,2:50,6:10,9:30  
■ **AMC Select The Road** (R) 5:10,10:30  
■ **Precious: Novel** (R) 11:55,2:30,7:50

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■ **Youth in Revolt** (R) 11:10,1:45,4:25,7:55,9:45,12:15  
■ **Daybreakers** (H) 11:20,2:05,4:50,7:40,10:30  
■ **AMC Select Imaginarium** (PG-13) 11:05,2:15,5:30,8:45,12:15  
■ **Levi's Year** (PG) 10:30,11:30,1:25,2:25,4:20,5:20,7:15,8:15,10:10,11:15  
■ **AMC Select Nine** (PG-13) 10:40,1:40,3:57,7:45,10:35  
■ **It's Complicated** (R) 10:20,11:20,1:30,3:00,4:30,4:45,5:40,7:50,8:50,10:45  
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■ **Daybreakers** (H) 11:20,2:05,4:50,7:40,10:30  
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■ **Levi's Year** (PG) 10:30,11:30,1:25,2:25,4:20,5:20,7:15,8:15,10:10,11:15  
■ **AMC Select Nine** (PG-13) 10:40,1:40,3:57,7:45,10:35  
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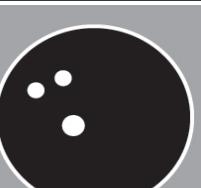
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**MORSE/LAKEFRONT** APARTMENT  
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**CAROL STREAM** \$800/MO. WEBCB313572 CONDO  
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**\$25 OFF****Ikram**

873 N. Rush St.; 312-587-1000  
[ikram.com](http://ikram.com)  
The store marks down all fall/winter designer merchandise by 40 percent at its semiannual sale through the end of January.

**Renegade Handmade**

1924 W. Division St.;  
773-227-2707  
[renegadehandmade.com](http://renegadehandmade.com)  
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**Penelope's**

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[shoppenelopes.com](http://shoppenelopes.com)  
Take 20 percent to 60 percent off men's and women's fall and winter fashions through Jan. 31.

**60% OFF****Host with the most**

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# 'Idol' worship

**hot stuff**

With the new season of "American Idol" kicking off Tuesday, it's a good time to give your living room a rockstar makeover. Make way for new hosts and new talent, dawg!

JOANNA GUSTAFSON IS A REDEYE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR.

**Smell of success**

Idole Eau de Parfum, \$75 at [Bloomingdale's](http://Bloomingdales)  
Feel like a superstar with a spritz of the latest luxurious fragrance from Armani.

**Star search**

Star Link drop necklace, \$450 at [Tiffany & Co.](http://TiffanyCo)  
Belt out "Diamonds are a Girl's Best Friend" and feel like a star while wearing this glam necklace.

**Tee time**

Smiley music note tee, \$24.50 at [delias.com](http://delias.com)  
A goofy tee is the perfect look for a friend's "Idol" party.

# Robin Thicke's 'Therapy' session

## Associated Press

Robin Thicke's new CD is called "Sex Therapy," but the sensual singer says guys have to think beyond the bedroom if they want to keep a woman happy. Thicke's prescription for a satisfied woman includes the occasional foot rub, a dinner date, shopping sprees and listening sessions. But sex does play a part as well—hence the title of the album.

The Grammy-winning songwriter sat down to talk about his wife, actress Paula Patton, and his upcoming film.

## If you were a sex therapist and you had to give advice to a couple with intimacy issues, what would you say to them?

First thing, they probably just need to slow down and look at each other again and get in a new environment. Maybe go to a different restaurant, go anywhere else, have her try on

some new lingerie, buy her some new lingerie, make her feel sexy. Maybe she needs to do something to make him feel sexy. But you can't ever give up on it, because it's so easy to just start sitting there, and the hours turn into days and the days turn into weeks and the next thing you know you ain't doing nothing with each other.

## Robin Thicke

**When:** Jan. 23 at 7:30 p.m.  
**Where:** The Vic, 3145 N. Sheffield Ave.  
**Tickets:** \$38.50 at [ticketmaster.com](http://ticketmaster.com)

## Your wife is in the film "Precious." What was your first reaction after watching it?

I cried reading the script. ... And she wasn't sure she wanted to do it. She didn't know how she'd make the teacher role original in the beginning, she was a little nervous about it, but I said, "Listen, I will pay this guy for you to be in this movie. This movie is going to make a difference." And I was lucky that I was right once. Because now she's very thankful that I told her, "You have to do this movie."



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**Singer Robin Thicke and his wife, actress Paula Patton (inset)**

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## High Blood Pressure?

If you have high blood pressure, you may be eligible to participate in a voluntary clinical research study of an investigational medication for high blood pressure.

Qualified participants will receive, at no cost, the following study-related procedures:

- \* Blood pressure monitoring
- \* Laboratory tests
- \* Physical exams
- \* Electrocardiograms (ECGs)
- \* Office visits
- \* Study Medication

Compensation for time and travel may be available.

## Has Your Antidepressant Failed To Help?

There are numerous medications available to treat major depressive disorder, but they do not work for everyone. That's why a clinical research study is now under way of an investigational medication for major depressive disorder to see if it may work when taken with an antidepressant. Qualified participant may be eligible to join the STEP-D study if they:

- Are 18 to 65 years of age.
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- Are currently experiencing depression that has lasted at least 8 weeks.
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An orange is covered in ice this week as growers sprayed water in a Florida grove to protect their crops from freezing temperatures. MCT PHOTO



# What warming?

**It may be cold—really, really cold—but experts say the Earth is getting hotter**

## Associated Press

Beijing had its coldest morning in almost 40 years and its biggest snowfall since 1951. Britain is suffering through its longest cold snap since 1981. And freezing weather is gripping the Deep South, including Florida's orange groves and beaches.

Whatever happened to global warming?

Such weather doesn't seem to fit with warnings from scientists that the Earth is warming because of greenhouse gases. But experts say the cold snap doesn't disprove global warming at all—it's just a blip in the long-term heating trend.

"It's part of natural variability," said Gerald Meehl, a senior scientist at the National Center for Atmospheric Research in Boulder, Colo. With global warming, he said, "we'll still have record cold tempera-

## WHAT'S GOING ON?

In the atmosphere, large rivers of air travel roughly west to east around the globe between the Arctic and the tropics. This air flow acts like a fence to keep Arctic air confined.

But recently, this air flow has become bent into a pronounced zigzag pattern, meandering north and south. If you live in a place where it brings air up from the south, you get warm weather. In fact, record highs were reported this week in Washington state and Alaska.

tures. We'll just have fewer of them."

Deke Arndt of the National Climatic Data Center in Asheville, N.C., noted that 2009 will rank among the 10 warmest years for Earth since 1880.

Scientists say man-made climate change

does have the potential to cause more frequent and more severe weather extremes, such as heat waves, storms, floods, droughts and even cold spells.

But experts interviewed by The Associated Press did not connect the current frigid blast to climate change.

But in the eastern U.S., like some other unlucky parts of the globe, Arctic air is swooping down from the north. And that's how you get a temperature of 3 degrees in Beijing, minus-42 in mainland Norway, and 18 inches of snow in parts of Britain, where a member of Parliament who said the snow "clearly indicates a cooling trend" was jeered by colleagues.

"Last year we were swimming every day," said Olivia Ruedinger of Hamburg, Germany. "I miss that."

# Gay debate approaches critical stage

## Associated Press

**SAN FRANCISCO** The national debate over same-sex marriage will take center stage in a California courtroom next week at a closely watched federal trial that could ultimately become the landmark case that determines whether gay Americans have a right to marry.

The case will decide a challenge to California's gay marriage ban that was approved by voters in 2008, and the ruling will likely be appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court. How the high court rules in the case could set the precedent for whether gay marriage becomes legal nationwide.

"This could be our Brown vs. Board of Education," said former Clinton White House adviser Richard Socarides, referring to the 1954 Supreme Court decision that outlawed racial segregation in schools and other public facilities. "Certainly the plaintiffs will tell you they are hoping for a broad ruling that says that any law that treats someone differently because of sexual orientation violates the U.S. Constitution."

The case marks the first federal trial to examine if the U.S. Constitution permits bans on gay marriages.

Republican Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and Democratic Attorney General Jerry Brown are defendants in the lawsuit by virtue of their prominent positions in California government, but both men opposed the ban and have refused to defend the lawsuit in court.

The sponsors of the gay marriage ban, a coalition of religious and conservative groups, joined the case as defendants.

Their legal team is being led by Charles Cooper, a veteran trial lawyer who worked for the Reagan-era Justice Department.

**WHO'S PAYING?**  
The challenge is being bankrolled by a group of liberal Hollywood activists including director Rob Reiner and producer Bruce Cohen.

They retained two of the nation's most influential lawyers to argue the case—former U.S. Solicitor General Theodore Olson and trial lawyer David Boies.

The lawyers are best known for representing George W. Bush and Al Gore in the "hanging chad" dispute over the 2000 presidential election in Florida.

# sports



## watch dog

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Here's what I'm watching this weekend.



**NBA**  
**Bulls vs. Minnesota**

7 p.m. Saturday, WGN

**NHL**  
**Blackhawks at Minnesota**

7 p.m. Saturday, CSN

**Blackhawks vs. Anaheim**

6 p.m. Sunday, WGN

**NFL PLAYOFFS**  
**Green Bay at Arizona**

3:40 p.m. Sunday, Fox



AP FILE

» At some point during the day, take a moment to smile and remember that White Sox manager Ozzie Guillen (above) probably will curse the [bleepin'] Twins.



AP  
» Brett Favre (right) is old.



» Minnesota: Not even good enough for the Lingerie Football League.

## five on one

Weren't the Bears supposed to get a playoff bye this weekend? Sign up for weekday Five on Five at [redeyechicago.com/facebookfives](http://redeyechicago.com/facebookfives).



### THE TOPIC

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How are the NFL playoffs like a reality TV show?



**TRACY SWARTZ**  
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In the NFL playoffs, Bill Rancic also would be whipped.



**PHILLIP THOMPSON**  
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The NFL gives us the word "pigskin." Reality TV gives us Snooki of "Jersey Shore." Coincidence? I think not.



**BRIAN MOORE**  
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Trick question: Both are actually scripted to maximize viewer interest.



**MICHAEL HINES**  
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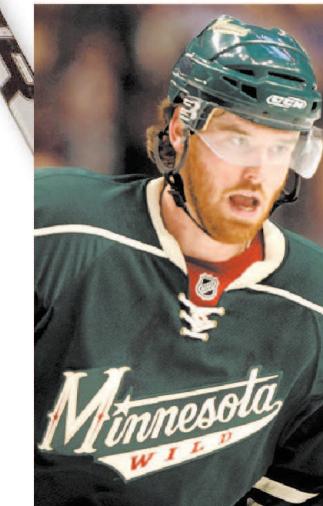
The winners are predetermined. Wait, that's the NBA.

# Joke's on Minny

## RedEye

Check out Saturday's sports quandary: tune into Chicago vs. Minnesota ... or catch Chicago vs. Minnesota? Yep, it's an all-Minny weekend as the Bulls host the Timberwolves and the Blackhawks visit the Wild, with both games scheduled for a 7 p.m. start.

We could weigh the reasons to tune into each game and then recommend the best one for your sports viewing pleasure ... or we could use this as an opportunity to tease our frozen friends to the northwest. After watching the Vikings stroll into the NFL playoffs while the Bears plan for next season, we'll take the latter. Feel free to use any of these good-natured taunts, lies and observations as you watch this weekend's games.



» Did you hear the Hawks hired a special inspector to check out the team bus after the game? They'll be making sure Martin Havlat (left) doesn't sneak into the luggage compartment in a desperate attempt to come back to Chicago.

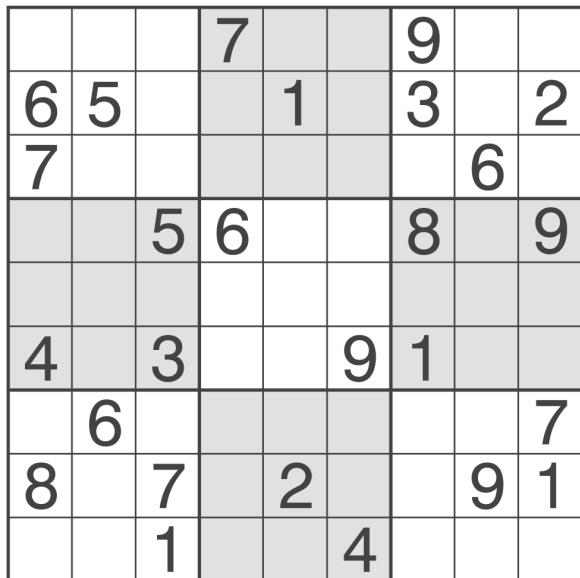
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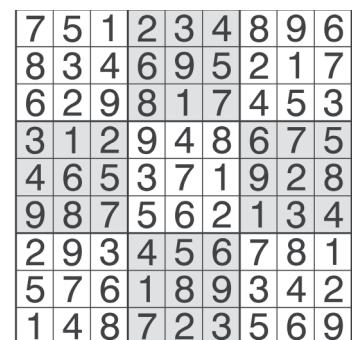


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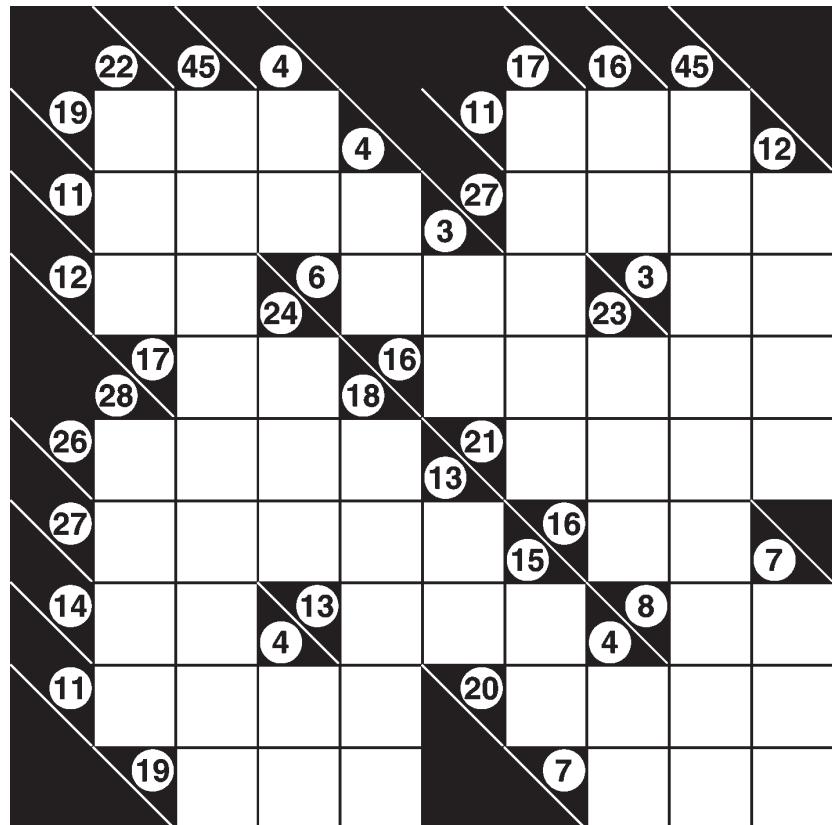
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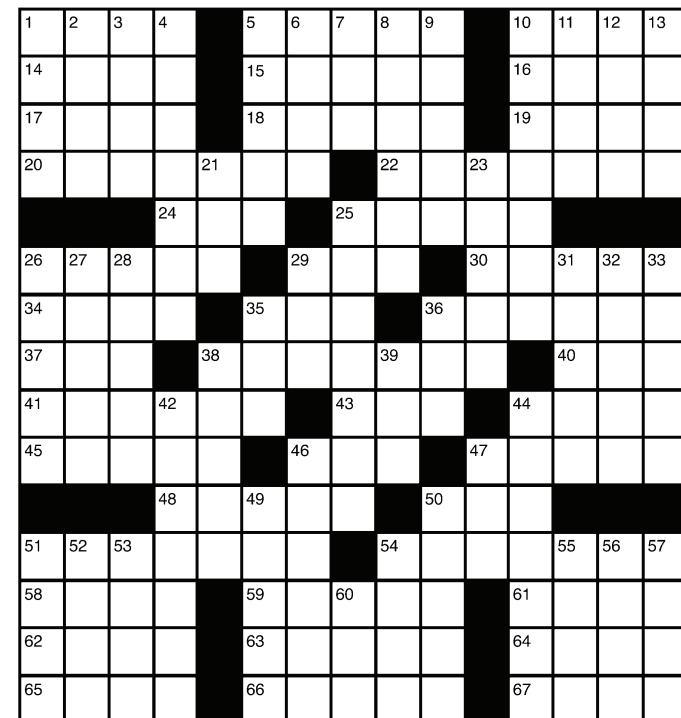
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**ACROSS**

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5 Gas of the upper atmosphere  
10 Hammer part  
14 Masculine  
15 Nearer to the ground  
16 Speak wildly  
17 Misfortunes  
18 tube; pool toy  
19 Consumer  
20 Uneasy  
22 Cul-de-sac, for one  
24 " \_ You Lonesome Tonight?"  
25 Shelf  
26 Deliver an address  
29 Young goat  
30 Make laws  
34 Broad  
35 Internet  
36 Main course  
37 Wedding words  
38 Beauty contest  
40 Prohibit  
41 Irritability  
43 \_ of; free from  
44 Average  
45 Marvelous  
46 Papa  
47 Dull speaker  
48 Desert beast  
50 Body of water  
51 Book listing merchandise  
54 Make dirty  
58 Military division  
59 Of the city  
61 False deity  
62 Venerable historian  
63 Gets close to  
64 Scotland's Loch \_ Monster  
65 Astounded  
66 Rib  
67 Fence opening

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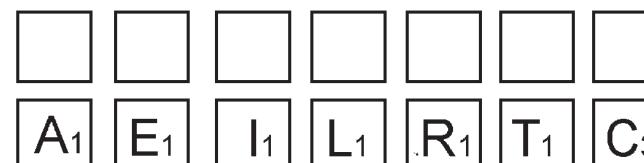
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21 Anger  
23 Representative  
25 Broad-minded  
26 Due  
27 Passenger  
28 Venerate  
29 Beer container

31 Ann \_\_, Michigan  
32 Stop  
33 Singing voice  
35 Existed  
36 Tight \_; football position  
38 Daisy piece  
39 Lend a hand  
42 Left empty  
44 Rising high  
46 Collegian's goal  
47 Plead

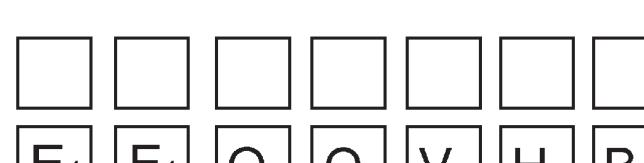
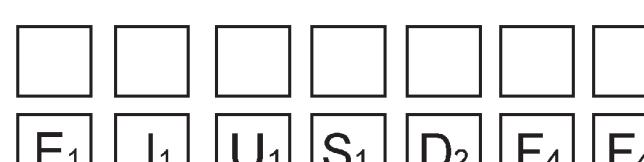
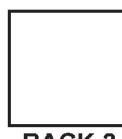
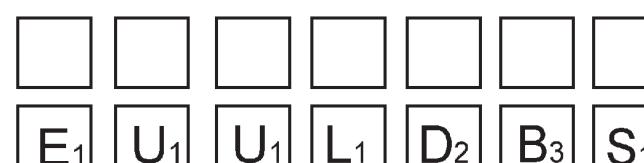
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55 Thought  
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60 Sheep's cry

**SCRABBLE**

Make a 2- to 7-letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word, using scoring directions at right. Finally, 7-letter words get a 50-point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. All the words are in the Official Scrabble Players Dictionary, 3rd Edition. Find the answer at [redeyechicago.com/puzzles](http://redeyechicago.com/puzzles).



3rd Letter Triple



Double Word Score

**PAR SCORE 150-160****BEST SCORE 218****FOUR RACK TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_****TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN**

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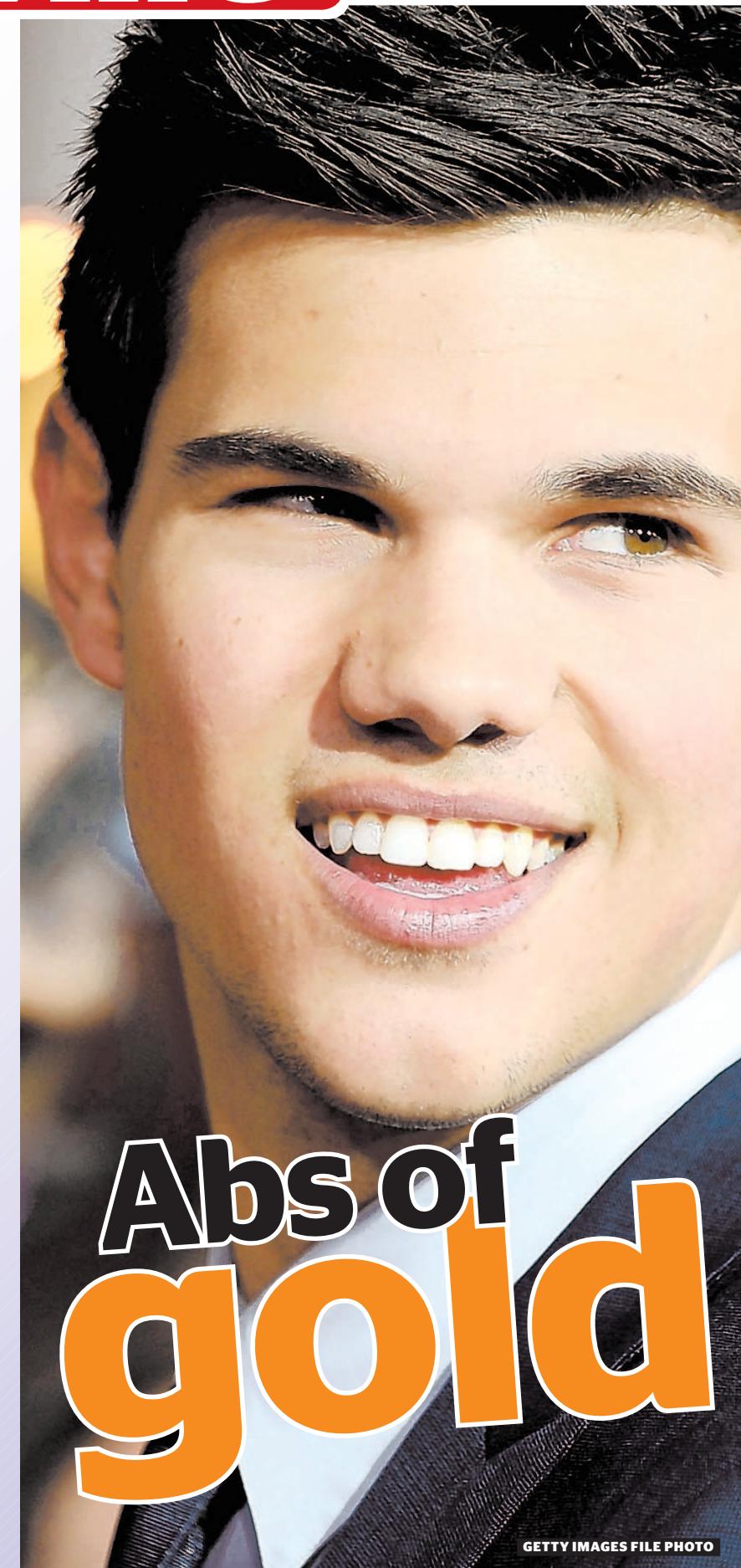
## HOW WILL TEEN HUNK TAYLOR LAUTNER SPEND HIS MILLIONS?

When Taylor Lautner whipped off his shirt in "New Moon," it was obvious that all those hours in the gym paid off. Now the teen hunk's killer abs are paying off again—reportedly to the tune of \$7.5 million.

We don't know for sure, but rumors were swirling this week that Lautner will earn that hefty paycheck for starring in the new flick "Northern Lights." According to Hollywood gossip hound Nikki Finke's Deadline Hollywood blog, that would make the swoon-worthy 17-year-old the industry's highest-paid teenage actor. (Remember, Miley Cyrus made her millions through music and TV, not movies.)

"Northern Lights"—not to be confused with the recent Lifetime movie of the same name starring LeAnn Rimes—has something to do with Lautner playing a lovesick pilot, but that's not the point. The point is that we couldn't even imagine having \$100 to buy 'NSYNC tickets when we were 17, much less \$7.5 million. So, what's Tay going to do with all that cash? Let's speculate!

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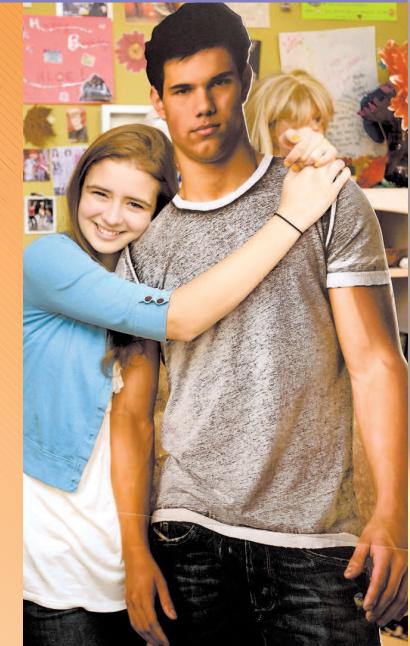


# Abs of gold

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Security team for protection from dangerously hormonal tweens.



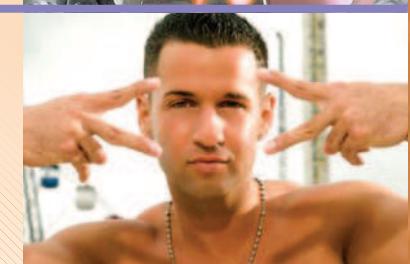
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Techies to disable all embarrassing "Adventures of Sharkboy and Lava Girl" video clips from the Web.



**15%**

Fitness sessions with The Situation.



**10%**



Organic, macrobiotic vegan food to fuel his sleek bod.

**10%**



Tattoo removal sessions to get rid of Wolfpack arm emblem. (Kristen and Rob said it was temporary)

**5%**

Weekly Build-A-Bear teddygrams to woo Taylor Swift.



# red hot

Tobey Maguire's Spidey Sense isn't predicting disaster.

The star of the "Spider-Man" movie franchise says production delays on the fourth installment haven't bummed his web, The Associated Press reports.

"Like anything, it's a process," said Maguire, adding that the movie is on target for a 2011 release. "We're just in the midst of the process. We have a lot of great stuff in terms of story and script. We're just trying to dial it in and get it ready as quickly as possible."

Maguire says he's eager to step back into the Peter Parker role.

"Not only do I have specific ideas, but the ideas are evolving on the page," he said. "It's all happening right now. It's all sort of coming together. It's very exciting to me."

# It's spider might

HOT DATE

**Jan. 13**

Date that quiz show "Our Little Genius" was supposed to debut on Fox. Instead, the show has been yanked after creator Mark Burnett discovered some contestants had been provided "information," according to [hollywoodreporter.com](http://hollywoodreporter.com).

Maguire  
AP



### Pack your bags, Hannah

It's almost over for "Hannah Montana." The show that launched Miley Cyrus (above) into the tween celeb stratosphere will end after its fourth season, the Disney Channel confirmed to the New York Post on Friday. Well, how long did we really expect the character to keep her pop-star secret? **DISNEY CHANNEL PHOTO**

### Global presenting

Former Golden Globe winners Kate Winslet, Jennifer Garner, Kiefer Sutherland and Cher will be among the presenters at this year's Golden Globe Awards, the Hollywood Foreign Press Association announced. Ricky Gervais will host the awards show, which airs live on NBC, at the Beverly Hilton Hotel in L.A. on Jan. 17.

### Adios, Angelina

Angelina Jolie has been fired by fashion house St. John. The megastar "overshadowed the brand," chief executive officer Glenn McMahon told Women's Wear Daily. "We needed to show a modern point of view of St. John. We have evolved." New ads are planned for the February fashion mags, WWD reported.



### Danny Tanner gets real

Haven't you always wanted to know more about Bob Saget? If so, good news: The man who played Danny Tanner on "Full House" told **people.com** he is set to host an A&E series called "Bob Saget's Strange Days." "It's me studying subcultures that are strange," Saget told the mag. "It's funny and it's weird. But it's me being me. It's trying to be real." **ABC PHOTO**